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Beating a dead horse

Regarding the rising Coronavirus cases, people continue having concerns about global welfare. For example, my family is thinking about whether to prepare for Christmas or not. No one knows how things will turn out (families in Wales were 'strongly advised' to postpone celebrating Christmas together by scientific advisers).

Contrary to popular belief, I dare say that all scientists, including myself, have some Christmas spirit.

The question is this: In today's world, it is hard to believe the empirical and illusory global phenomenon that is so profoundly enclosed in the minds of many:

"The jolly, white-bearded old man, dressed in a red coat, red hat, and boots, that travels across the world in one night with a sled full of gifts. Its nine reindeers reach a speed of two

thousand kilometers per second, are not affected by the resistance from contact surfaces. By this I mean the energy released between the solid materials and the air by its reciprocal movement."

Why doesn't the "thunder-like" noise terrorize people on the ground at the moment of departure or landing? How does he and his animals manage to support a force of gravity that is several thousandfold greater, without the common side effects observed in the systems that govern living

organisms? How does he transport a weight of almost 574 million kilograms (the mass of the sleigh, the caribous, and the presents)? How does he manage to deliver all the presents in the short span of 48 hours¹? No one knows. However, he rarely fails to bring some happiness to the children at Christmas.

There are two theories offered to explain this:

1. The man has a clandestine research and development

1. For deliveries, Santa can gain 24 additional hours if he travels contrary to earth's rotation.

team, which works with cutting-edge technology, artificial intelligence, and anti-gravity materials. That would explain why he does not wear special suits to breathe under these conditions or to keep conscious. That technology includes automatic self-repair systems since he always appears shiny and without any pinch of soot. To quiet our monkey minds, gene-modification labs are part of the trick as it would explain the super resistant caribous. Finally, he seems to possess a quantum-level spying system: how else would he find out

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exactly what every child in the world wants for Christmas?

2. Santa manufactures magic dust by applying the Four Fundamental Forces of Nature. That is because if he can control gravity, electromagnetism, and weak and strong forces, spacetime geometry can be drastically modified and thus generate wormholes. This way, he would travel everywhere and have time to do whatever he wants. Even go to the beach. *"Within the horrendous stockings hanging from the chimney, such singularities are localized",* -some

colleagues hypothesized.- I don't think so, since not all families have this ornament or have fireplaces either. Furthermore, the tested houses have no shown gravitational anomalies.

On the other hand, the Higgs bosons would allow him not to carry weight as he could materialize any object at every stop. He could also annihilate the countless cookies and glasses of milk that he "supposedly" consumes. If this were true, the resulting diabetic coma would force people to organize annual tryouts to work as Santa.

In brief, we like Christmas because it is the perfect opportunity to reconnect with family and friends, to madly consume extra calories, and enjoy finding out what the "old man" left for us beneath the tree.

That is the reason you should take COVID-19 seriously: to protect yourself and your family members, especially older adults and people of any age with certain serious underlying medical conditions like lung disease, heart disease, or diabetes. Merry Christmas.

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